

**REMARKS**

**Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-14 are pending as shown above and are in condition for allowance.

**Specification**

The Abstract was objected to because it was not supplied on a separate sheet. (Office Action, page 5). Applicants submit the Abstract on a separate sheet, thereby obviating the objection.

The disclosure was also objected to for adding an incorporation by reference statement to the first paragraph. (Office Action, pages 5-6). Applicants have removed the added sentence, thereby obviating the objection.

**Rejections Withdrawn**

The provisional double-patenting rejection and rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) were withdrawn. (Office Action, pages 2-3). Thus, the claims are in condition for allowance. (Office Action, page 3).


**CONCLUSION**

It is believed the claims are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner notes any further matters that the Examiner believes may be expedited by a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Disclosed herein are methods and compositions for targeted cleavage of a genomic sequence, targeted alteration of a genomic sequence, and targeted recombination between a genomic region and an exogenous polynucleotide homologous to the genomic region.